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***COVID-19, THE PANDEMIC THAT MAY SAVE THE WORLD FROM WAR AND CHANGE IT TO A BETTER PLACE FOR THE LIVING*****Tiamiyu Rasheed Adeniyi (1), Junior Hendri Wijaya (2)**

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**Abstract:** Allegations and counter-allegations surrounding the advent of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) are heavily skewed toward the commencement of the biological war, even though it has been observed over the years that war has a tremendous negative effect on all facets of human endeavor, for which the United Nations has applied series of sanctions to enforce its decisions to prevent or stop the existing war. For instance, powerful world leaders hand twist decisions of the United Nations in favor of their agenda because they see war as a means of their financial well-being. To find a solution to this issue, this paper investigated the efforts made to overcome COVID-19 and what could bring a harmonious relationship in the world. We discovered that human race is of the same origin and age-long intermarriages have further strengthened interconnectivity of the human being, such that, the blood of the citizens of a nation is running in the veins of the citizens of other nations and virus affecting whites also affects blacks and are both in need of each other to overcome the pandemic. Therefore, a program of orientation is put in place by the United Nations to orient heads of countries to imbibe and adopt absolute peaceful coexistence to prevent war in the world since one nation defending its citizens against another nation through war means to war against self.

**Keywords:** COVID-19; War; UN; Orientation; Peace.

**Abstrak:** Tuduhan dan tuduhan balasan seputar munculnya coronavirus novel (COVID-19) sangat condong ke dimulainya perang biologis, meskipun telah diamati selama bertahun-tahun bahwa perang memiliki efek negatif yang luar biasa pada semua aspek usaha manusia. , yang mana PBB telah menerapkan serangkaian sanksi untuk menegakkan keputusannya untuk mencegah atau menghentikan perang yang ada. Misalnya, para pemimpin dunia yang kuat menyerahkan keputusan PBB yang mendukung agenda mereka karena mereka melihat perang sebagai sarana kesejahteraan finansial mereka. Untuk menemukan solusi untuk masalah ini, makalah ini menyelidiki upaya yang dilakukan untuk mengatasi COVID-19 dan apa yang dapat membawa hubungan yang harmonis di dunia. Kami menemukan bahwa ras manusia memiliki asal yang sama dan pernikahan antar bangsa yang telah lama memperkuat interkonektivitas manusia, sehingga darah warga negara mengalir di pembuluh darah warga negara lain dan virus yang mempengaruhi kulit putih. juga mempengaruhi orang kulit hitam dan keduanya saling membutuhkan untuk mengatasi pandemi. Oleh karena itu, program orientasi diberlakukan oleh PBB untuk mengorientasikan kepala negara untuk menyerap dan mengadopsi koeksistensi damai mutlak untuk mencegah perang di dunia karena satu negara membela warganya terhadap bangsa lain melalui perang berarti perang melawan diri sendiri.

**Kata kunci:** COVID-19; Perang; PBB; Orientasi; Perdamaian.

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There had been various virus epidemics and pandemics in the years past, but COVID-19 is one of the viruses most attacking humans. According to MPH online (2020), in its 10 of the worst pandemics

in history, “the outcome of the COVID-19 pandemic is impossible to predict at the time of the writing but, we can learn from pandemics in history to determine our best course.” Therefore, we glimpsed some of the previous pandemics as follows:

Antonine plague, 165 AD. It affected Asia Minor, Egypt, Greece, and Italy. The disease killed over five million people and decimated the Roman army. Plague of Justinian, 541-542. It afflicted the Byzantine Empire and Mediterranean port cities, killing up to 25 million people, which was about a quarter of the population of the Eastern Mediterranean, and devastating the city of Constantinople, where it killed about 5,000 people per day. The Black Death, 1346-1353. It ravaged Europe, Africa, and Asia with an estimated death toll of about 33% of the entire population.

Third Cholera Pandemic, 1852-1860. It started from the Ganges River Delta before spreading to Asia, Europe, North America, and Africa. Over one million lives were lost to the pandemic. Flu Pandemic, 1889-1890. It was first observed in May 1889 in Bukhara, Central Asia – Turkestan, Athabasca in North-western Canada, and Greenland. It took over one million lives throughout the world.

Sixth Cholera Pandemic originated in India killed over 800,000 people before spreading to the Middle East, North Africa, Eastern Europe, and Russia. This Cholera was linked to the last American outbreak of Cholera between 1910 and 1911. The knowledge gained in the previous epidemics and pandemics made American health authorities quickly sought to isolate the infected. In the end, only 11 deaths occurred in the United States.

Flu Pandemic in 1918 attacked the world, infecting over one-third of the world’s population and terminating the lives of between 20 and 50 million people. Asian Flu originated in Chania in 1956 and lasted till 1958 infected people in Singapore, Hong Cong, and the United States. The World Health Organisation (WHO) said the death toll was approximately 2 million, out of which 69,800 was of the United States alone. Flu Pandemic (Hong Kong Flu), 1968, was first reported on July 13, 1968 in Hong Kong. The virus spread to Singapore, Vietnam, the Philippines, India, Australia, Europe, and the United States. It killed more than one million people.

HIV/AIDS, which was first identified in the Democratic Republic of Congo in 1976, killed 36 million since 1981, while around 31 to 35 million people are currently living with HIV. The yearly global deaths from HIV/AIDS from 2005 to 2012 dropped from 2.2 million to 1.6 million. Coronavirus, which is code-named as COVID-19, was said to begin in December 2019 in the region of Wuhan, China. The virus, COVID-19, should generally be categorized as an epidemic because it was within the region of Wuhan at the initial stage but rapidly spread across the borders to other countries within a couple of months. By March 2020, WHO has declared COVID-19 as a pandemic.

According to WHO, in its COVID-19 Situation Report-110, the global death figure as on May 9, 2020, reached 265,862. The details are the region of America had 91,893, the European region had 154,233, the Western Pacific region had 6,449, the Eastern Mediterranean region had 8,748, the South-East Asia region had 3,204 while African region had 1,322 deaths. Fear has gripped the world, and almost every nation has started closing its border to prevent further transmission of the virus. Both partial and full lockdowns were being declared across the globe. Social distancing rules, which were introduced to stop the chain of the spread of the coronavirus, may have to continue, at least, for the next two years (Gunawan, 2020). The world has been brought to a standstill.

However, the twist in the COVID-19 pandemic is that it is being speculated to be a deliberate act of one country to deal a deadly blow to another country in a game of business and world power supremacy. WHO has not yet categorized the source and possibly the rationale behind the outbreak as human-engineered. The controversy and noise surrounding the advent of the coronavirus (COVID-19) are overwhelming and deafening. There are allegations and counter-allegations as to the factors behind this outbreak. According to The Guardian on April 9, 2020, in the public mind, the origin of COVID-19 seemed to be fixed that it was in late 2019, someone at the now world-famous Huanan seafood market in Wuhan was infected with the virus from an animal. There are many stories and assumptions

on what transmitted the virus. Among these are, a scaly mammal called pangolins, while Professor Stephen Turner of Melbourne Monash University laid the transmitter, though not conclusive, on bats. The fact that at a New York zoo, a tiger was infected by a virus and that outbreak of SARS in 2002 moved from horseshoe bats to cat-like civets before infecting humans, led credence to the assumption. However, Professor Edward Holmes of the University of Sydney conveyed the identity of the species that served as an intermediate host for the virus is still uncertain.

The finding of Andersen et al., (2020) stating the virus was a product of natural evolution was referred to by Josie Golding, an epidemiologist, as crucial to put the rumors on its origin to rest, while Andrew (2020) cautioned that it was difficult to know the source at this point. The Director of WHO (Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus), while declaring COVID-19 as a pandemic in his press briefing on March 11, 2020, said, “we have never before seen a pandemic sparked by a coronavirus. It is the first pandemic caused by a coronavirus, and we have never before seen a pandemic that can be controlled at the same time.”

Nicholas (2020), in visualizing the history of pandemics, argued that as humans have spread across the world, so have infectious diseases, outbreaks are nearly constant, though not every outbreak reaches the pandemic level as a novel coronavirus (COVID-19) has done. The more civilized humans became with larger cities, more exotic trade routes, increased contact with different populations of people, animals, and ecosystems, the more likely pandemics would occur. He is of the view that the age of ignorance should not be rekindled as it was a dark period when people believed that spirits and gods inflicted disease and destruction upon those that deserved their wrath. He further stated that the improvement in the knowledge of the causes of a pandemic should help people to fight COVID-19 to track the future outbreak of such before it becomes pandemic.

While it is not in dispute that improvement in the knowledge of people should be used to fight the pandemic, it would be foolhardy to hold that whoever created this universe, in this case, God, would leave the world without, once in a while, introducing what could engineer check and balance. Since the theory of big bang stating the universe just evolved is no longer tenable, people have advanced in knowledge and realized that there must be one God remotely directing the affairs of the world.

However, the Washington Post on April 30, 2020, reported that the US is crafting retaliatory actions against China over COVID-19. It is our opinion, whatever the outcome of the investigation into the origin and the rationale behind its introduction, even, if human-made, coronavirus pandemic should be made to teach the human being what it lacks, that, the entire human being is from a single source and to that same source is the return of everyone. Our concern, which should be the concern of everyone, should be heavily skewed toward how to prevent biological and any warfare through making the human being more humane in his thinking and action.

## **RESEARCH METHOD**

This research adopted a qualitative research method and utilized focus group discussion, historical facts, content analysis of visual and textual materials to come up with the recommendations. We poise that when research work entails critical analysis and evaluation of historical facts bordering on feeling, perception and behavioral inclination of the living being, qualitative research methods as adopted in this research, to fish out the good lesson in COVID-19 that may save the world from war and change it to a better place for the living is the most appropriate. It is in agreement with Patton, (1990), Adi (2020) and Ashley (2020) that, our world is more complicated and it is difficult to understand what people think and perceive, and qualitative research methods make it easier to understand as it is more communicative, and inferences can be drawn quite easily from the data obtained.

## **RESULT AND DISCUSSION**

### **Biological warfare**

Coronavirus pandemic, which is code-named COVID-19, if found to be biological warfare by any of the nations, is not the first of its kind, as revealed by Friedrich (2003) in the history of biological warfare. The biological war had been in the years past. He claimed, in the year 1155, Emperor

Barbarossa poisoned water wells with human bodies in Tortona, Italy. In the year 1346, Mongols catapulted bodies of plague victims over the city walls of Caffa Crimean Peninsula. In the year 1495, Spanish mixed wine with blood of leprosy patients and sold it to their French foes, Naples, Italy. In the year 1650, Polish fired saliva from rabid dogs toward their enemies. In the year 1675, the first deal between German and French forced not to use poison bullets. In the year 1763, the British distributed blankets from smallpox patients to native Americans. In the year 1797, Napoleon flooded the plains around Mantua, Italy, to enhance the spread of malaria. In the year 1863, Confederates sold clothing from yellow fever and smallpox patients to Union troops, USA. In the recent century, the biological instrument was also used. For example, in 1992, President Boris Yelstin admitted officially that the outbreak of an epidemic of Anthrax in Sverdlovsk now Ekaterinburg, Russia, in April 1979 was caused by his military development.

There was an incident of a religious cult known as Aum Shinrikyo, which attacked Tokyo Metro in March 1995 with Sarin gas while it was also developing a program on rudimentary of biological weapons containing Clostridium Botulinum and B anthrax but yet to succeed. There were also anthrax letters aftermath of September 9, 2001 attack on the World Trade Centre. The particular strain was said to be traced to the US army's laboratory at Fort Detrick. Friedrich Frischknecht (2003) mentioned that history tells us, virtually, no nation with the ability to develop weapons of mass destruction has abstained from doing so.

### **Preventive measure taken by WHO**

The World Health Organisation (WHO) is aware of this situation, and we believe it is the reason why it is not folding its hands as it did all it could to get nations to agree and sign agreement on biological warfare. According to Baras and Greub (2014), under pressure from the WHO, the new convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and their Destruction (abbreviated as BWC) was signed in 1972. The signatories to the convention are the United States of America (US), the United Kingdom (UK), Soviet Governments, and over one hundred other countries. It was in force from 1975 and being continuously review since then. It prohibits (1) possession of biological agents except for prophylactic, protective or other peaceful purposes; (2) development of technologies intended for the dispersal of biological agents for offensive military purposes; and (3) destruction of existing stocks.

According to Baras and Gerud (2014), the question remains open, in the period in which we live, have we become more humane than our predecessors? In the final analysis, the most effective prevention measure rests on the creation of and preservation of healthy cultural norms at the individual, social, and political levels prohibiting the development and use of such weapons. As a sign of the convention that will happen, it has not achieved its intended objectives as the occurrence of the usage of biological weapons continues to be seen.

These occurrences indicate that control over the use of biological warfare goes beyond the promulgation of law or the signed agreement. To be able to identify what could assist humanity in its yearning for a peaceful world, we must inquire into why humans act against the peaceful coexistence of man. We discovered it as the result of human beings, which has shown in thinking and action that they have lost the memory of being from the same source to such an extent that mere color differences or geographical location set nations at war. The human being, particularly, the leaders, who supposed to know better, do not recognize, and appreciate that every man on earth has his origin from the same source as he is.

It is more compounded because those not endowed to be leaders are much in the leadership. It is logical that, when those who are naturally endowed as followers become the leaders, the world becomes a theater of war since the seed of generosity in the makeup of a naturally endowed leader enabling such a leader to see the entire human race as one is not found. In a situation like this, what should have been talked over and amicably resolved would degenerate to conflict. It is not only biological warfare that is a threat to world peace, but the proliferation of weapons of war had also been as could be seen below.

### **The proliferation of nuclear weapons, a threat to world peace**

Ideally, one would hold tenaciously to a feeling that whoever scaled the ladder to become head of a country must have outgrown the animalistic tendency in human nature, but, realistically speaking,

there are traces of elements of insanity in the world. Therefore, someone with high temperament may beat those in their right senses to become the head of a country. When such an unexpected occurs, we are bound to see more production of what could destroy the entire world than what would nourish peaceful coexistence.

William (1987) stated that Bohr Niels counseled his colleagues that, as nations rushed for atomic security, they would paradoxically find themselves ever less secure and closer to the brink of annihilation. According to Alana (2017), as on July 8, 2017, the United States had 6,800 warheads, the second-most under Russia, which had 7,000 of them. For years, after World War II, the US was secure in its position as the only nuclear power in the world. Today, there are more than 15,000 nuclear warheads hidden around the world. The new atomic arms race is on the rise. The remaining few hundred warheads are distributed among France, China, the UK, Pakistan, India, Israel, and North Korea. The current issue is coronavirus pandemic is being speculated to be a tool of war between one and another country to weaken the economic base of the other.

## **War**

War is a struggle of mighty power to capture, maim, kill, or destroy. It is usually employed to revenge or take possession of resources. Interestingly, war, as we could visualize, does not start except the head of the country consents to it. Therefore, it may not be far from the truth that some of the leaders of countries are with the mentality that they could not understand what is right for those they govern at the supposed expense of other countries at large. It is, therefore, imperative to search for a solution to the problem observed in the headship of some countries that could engineer war in the world. According to Tiamiyu (2020), man must have been created with qualities such as personality, intellect, sensibility, perception, feeling, willingness, and decision to make within numerous choices. It is improbable that such qualities could still exist in any known creature physically and naturally visible to the human being.

It is disheartening that human beings still considered war as a solution to resolve the disagreement between them despite the significant level of reasoning, discovery, and development of human beings, which made them pole apart from animals. Majority of other creatures not given the qualities as the human being engaged much in the struggle of the annihilation of others to have dominion over their resources because they could not anticipate the expansion of their resources by the use of science and technology. However, human beings have developed and expanded in knowledge to such an extent that what seemed to be inadequate in the past, to satisfy the specified number of people in a given area, is being multiplied through science and technology to meet such people. Ironically, both human beings and animals engage in a war, making one critically look at the cost of war to the human being.

## **Cost of war**

We do not have an instrument that could evaluate the intelligence quotient of those killed in the war to enable us to envisage and estimate the contributions of such intelligent quotient to the improvement of the standard of living of human beings. Still, we could determine the cost of some resources applied in the war. The cost of the war in terms of human life, comfort, and material resources are overwhelming enough to discourage adventure into it. Still, such would not be, because, those behind most of the war being witnessed are masquerading economic gain being derived in the sales of weapon and reconstruction of the destructions with their expression of concern for the oppressed. The report of the global peace index (2017) reveals that the world continued to spend vastly disproportionate resources on creating and containing violence compared to what it spent on peace. In 2015 alone, the UN peacekeeping expenditure of \$8.27 billion reached only 1.1% of the estimated \$742 billion of economic losses from armed conflict.

According to Khouri (2015), a US-led international team of researchers comprising of 35 scholars, legal experts, human rights practitioners, and physicians revealed how destructive and expensive several wars have been. They stated that over \$13 trillion in terms of financial cost and over 600,000 in human life were wasted. Also, the report released by Brown University, as quoted by Wikipedia in November 2017, the US-led coalition against Iraq in 2003 killed over 1.2 million people, and \$1.1 trillion US Dollar was expended. We observed that the war the US and its allies have vacated since 2010 is yet to be over in Iraq in 2020.

While Allen-Ebrahimian (2015) stated that Syrian reconstruction would cost \$300 billion. It is also of note that Israel and Palestine have conflicted for years. According to the World Report (2016) on Israel/Palestine Events of 2015, nobody has been prosecuted for alleged crimes committed during the 2014 Israel-Gaza war, which, according to the UN, killed 1,462 Palestinian civilians, including 551 children, and 6 civilians in Israel, including one child. Furthermore, according to Bass (2009), Korea was under Japanese rule until the end of World War II, when the USSR liberated Korea North of the 38th parallel. The arbitrary line tore apart communities and families, and each region shakily established its government. The US sided with the South, while the North was sided by the Soviet Union and China. The US, though, did not use nuclear weapons on North Korea during the Korean War, decimated the region in a devastating bombing campaign. By 1952, the US had killed more than 1 million people in North Korea, and its major cities were 75% to 95% destroyed. The remaining population fled underground, building schools, factories, houses, and military bases beneath the earth. Rhodes, as quoted by Bass (2009), stated that we had reached the point where we had run out of targets, at which point we decided we would try to starve the North Korean people, so we bombed the big dams and river valleys that were flood controlled for their rice production. Let us reflect on this. Can economic prospects persuade warmongers to desist from engaging in war?

It is doubtful if a better economic prospect could be used to persuade warmonger leaders of countries from engaging in war since they see war as a source of economic prosperity for their countries. It regards the survey we carried out at the international conference of Interdisciplinary perspectives on Accounting in Cardiff, UK 2012, where scholars from many higher institutions in the world shared their views on these issues. Ninety-five percent (95%) of the respondents strongly agreed on the opinion that the cost of war has no meaning except to those humane. Khanna (2012) mentioned that the realization of economic power is the foundation of geopolitical security prompting scholars in late 1980 to speak of “geo-economics” as an alternative approach to world politics. Paul Kennedy’s Rise and Fall of the Great Powers warned that poor economic health at home is a prime cause of “imperial overstretch” abroad.

The tied has changed, the game seems to pull them down tactics. Propagation of hate speeches against another country to pave the way for sympathy to go into war probably is on the increase. For instance, the Guardian publication of April 28, 2020, said Trump, President of the US, had renewed his attack on China by his statement that his administration was conducting serious investigations into Beijing’s handling of COVID-19 outbreak and suggesting he would seek damages for the US. It was seen in the Guardian as an effort to smear China and mobilize all possible public opinion forces to do to cover its selfishness. Since world economic prospects could not persuade a warmonger nation to desist from war, we looked at what the UN had done to put an end to the war.

### **The United Nations actions on peace**

The article of United Nations states that the UN wants to save succeeding generations from the scourge of war, which twice in our lifetime has brought untold sorrow to mankind, to practice tolerance and live together in peace as good neighbors, to unite our strength to maintain international peace and security, and to ensure, by the acceptance of principles and the institution of methods, that armed force shall not be used, save in the common interest. It is also clear that the UN resolutions and actions on world peace and security such as conflict prevention, diplomacy, disarmament, genocide, and responsibility for protecting, peacekeeping, peacebuilding, and demining, are glaring. These efforts, according to UN (2018), have enabled it to end many conflicts, either through the direct UN mediation or by the efforts of others acting with the UN support. These, notwithstanding, have not achieved the level of peaceful coexistence envisaged by the founding fathers of the UN.

UN is doing its bit to ensure that war is a thing of the past. The organization has commissioned many committees to bring about reorganization and reoperation of the UN. The Secretary-General of the UN, Ban Ki-moon in 2014, requested the UN to set up high-level panels to deliberate on the future of peace operations, peacebuilding, and the relationship between women, peace, and security. The result and extract from the reports of the panels are as follows: First, conflict prevention is the order of the day. The best way the UN can save lives and reduce spiraling costs is by preventing war from breaking out in the first place. It means the UN needs to adopt a culture of prevention across the organization. Second, the form and function of peacekeeping should be shaped by the situation on the ground, not the (often competing) political interests at the UN headquarters in New York. The UN

also has to abandon cookie-cutter approaches to peace support missions. To do this, the UN Security Council has to be more flexible about determining when troops should enter, how long to stay, and when to exit. Third, strategic and inclusive partnerships are essential. The UN agencies have to stop navel-gazing and fighting petty turf wars and get better at reaching out to regional bodies, non-governmental organizations, and civil society groups that have a stake in peace. Moreover, the UN-resourced activities need to be people-oriented, field-focused, and much better targeted at actual and potential hotspots. Fourth, the focus cannot be limited to “building” peace, but rather making peace “sustainable”.

This rhetorical shift is essential. Rather than confining activities to post-conflict settings, the UN and its partners need to double down on peace before wars break out. Fifth, national ownership of “peace”, while difficult, is fundamental. Ownership cannot be limited to national government institutions alone but must be extended to political parties, labor unions, chambers of commerce, women’s organizations, veteran’s associations, minority groups, and more. When key players are excluded from peace processes, wars are much more likely to restart. Finally, and perhaps most important, there must be a much more proactive engagement with women’s participation in peace at all stages of the process. It includes involving women at multiple levels of the peacemaking, peacekeeping, and peacebuilding process, together with support and protection services for them. Investment in women peacebuilders and respecting gender rights can also help.

These proposals as good as they look, the question is, would they be adequate to make the world be at peace, even if efficiently implemented? It is doubtful because, Adams (2017) quoting from Zimmermann’s telegram, said, I would like to stop the war, not just the American and Iraq war but all wars. It is possible through the UN, members of the Security Council, and if all the nuclear powers agreed, war could be outlawed. The problem is that countries, like the US, see war as a means to their economic prosperity.

### **Preventing the war and enthronement of peace**

According to Oona and Scott (2017), the world order that resulted from the Paris Peace Pact 1928 has brought seven decades of unprecedented peace. Before the 1928 pact, the average state could be expected to be conquered once in a man’s lifetime. This transformation has brought vast improvement in free trade and the human condition. This achievement, notwithstanding, the world is at a greater risk today than ever before because the rules prohibiting the use of force are crumbling, we risk returning to a world where might is right and war is legal. We strongly feel that the most plausible solution to the off and on interest in going into war is to orient human beings generally and particularly, leaders of countries to become humane in the real sense of humanity, imbibe and become adherent to absolute peace in the world.

Absolute peace, we propound, means unconditional resolve and commitment to act in whatever circumstances that would bring the mind of others who are aggressive into friendliness by using the available resources to foster peaceful coexistence and by bearing in mind that one is not in a state of madness as the one in an aggressive mood. To assist in this direction, curricular in our institution of learning should include all that could be taught on better living for all in the environment where there is no war and all that is horrible for those in the environment where there is the war to develop the mind of the youth toward peaceful coexistence. According to Guterres, Secretary-General of the UN, (2017) “global anxieties about nuclear weapons were at their highest since the Cold War, and the fear is not abstract, millions of people live under a shadow of dread cast by the provocative nuclear and missile test, political, religious and community leaders had a duty to stand up against hatred and serve as models of tolerance”.

It is our view that violence breeds nothing but destruction. Those overpowered by mighty power have children who might one day take to revenge mission to avenge the perceived unjust war meted to their parents. We felt that it might be the cause of terrorists we are witnessing today. Therefore, let there be a periodical program of the UN where leaders of countries would be reoriented and tamed to imbibed absolute human that empathize, sympathize, forgive, compensate where necessary and work with the adversary to change them to friends. Nelson Mandela of South Africa once said, “If you want to make peace with your enemy, you have to work with your enemy who will then become your partner”.

Mankind is observed to be with the problem coming from their uncontrolled emotions of selfishness, persuasiveness, jealousy, fear, apathy, and hate. Therefore, there is the need to develop a curriculum of education that can assist them in turning their back to the animalistic instinct, which makes them see another human being as unwanted. The human being should be oriented to appreciate the entire human race emanated from a single man, called Adam. Citizens of nations have intermarried to such an extent that hardly is there any nation where we would not have a blooded man of each nation by birth due to intermarriages. Human beings must be oriented and made to believe that there is no region or country in the world where the blood of citizens of the so designated region or country is not in some of the citizens of the other region or country, which is also designated. Procreation and re-procreation have mixed blood of citizens of different nations together for many years. Therefore, the issue of one nation defending its citizen against another nation through war is tantamount to fight against self. It is instructive if a wild animal could be tamed by the human beings to live peacefully with them and those other animals usually seen as prey, the animal component in the composition of the body of the world leaders could also be better tamed by a designed education and environment for such orientation. Would COVID-19 be a turning point for the living?

One can infer from Oona and Scott (2017) that in the new world order, as represented by Paris Peace Pact 1928, agreed by all states, war is illegal, and no legal entitlement could be derived from war. It contrasts with the old order where war was legal, conquest was permissible, aggression was not a crime, and agreement might be coerced by threat of violence. The peace pact of 1928, which factors relative peace in the world for over 80 years, is being forgotten as nations are violating the rule they jointly signed. We also observed, whenever the state is choosing from the new order or the old order as it pleases in its relationship with other states, the world is in crisis. The powerful nations are continuing to dictate what other countries could or could not do. The trend is tending toward the might is always right. There is a lesson in the advent of COVID-19 that may influence positive change in the world.

The pandemic has brought the world to a standstill. Schools have been closed. UNESCO (2020) states that nationwide closures are impacting over 91% of the world's student population. Religions practices have their share of the pandemic to the extent that a joint press statement by global Multi-Religious Faith-in-Action COVID-19 in collaboration with UNICEF issued a statement on April 7, 2020, to call upon all communities across the world together with governments, UN entities and broad civil society organizations to join forces in combatting the pandemic. UNIDO (2020) also submitted that the economic fallout from the pandemic might represent the biggest shock of recent decades; there will be a substantial increase in unemployment, capital flight, insolvency and default, contraction in foreign direct investment, trouble in global value chains and supply chain contagion and losses for manufacturing industries.

According to Schifferes (2020), there is a widespread belief that nothing will ever be the same after the COVID-19 pandemic with society, the government, and the economy. Some are of the view that we will see a society showing more solidarity and a new economic model working for all and perhaps, a greater spirit of international cooperation. Therefore, the outbreak of COVID-19 may be a grace to save the world, after all. Steve (2020), in his "will coronavirus be the turning point for globalization", said "the lessons of history are not encouraging, during pandemics, societies have often scapegoated individuals, blamed foreigners and put up barriers to the outside world. The world now faces a stark choice to find a way to harness globalization to a common purpose, or retreat into isolationism and nationalism that will crash the world economy and increase international tensions." The Secretary-General of the UN, Antonio Guterres (March 19, 2020), in his press briefing on COVID-19, asked the world leaders to come together and offer an urgent and coordinated global response. Will leaders of the current powerful nations yield toward cooperation when they are in the believing that their power would earn them whatever they wish?

According to Woods (2007), one of the most common criticisms of the World Bank has been how it is governed. While the World Bank represents 188 countries, it is run by a small number of economically powerful countries. These countries, which also provide most of the institution's funding, choose the leadership and senior management of the World Bank to dominate their interest in the bank. Titus (1996) argued that the unequal voting power of western countries and the World Bank's role in the developing countries makes it similar to the South African Development Bank under apartheid and, therefore, a pillar of global apartheid.



According to Common Dreams breaking news of April 28, 2020, US suspended funding WHO. after US suspension of funding, causing it to cut 80% of humanitarian aid to war-torn Yemen. It is one effect of the action of the US on WHO based on the allegation and counter-allegations on COVID-19 outbreak factors. The US action could be likened to an adage stating, whoever pays the piper dictates the tune, as long as the funding of an international organization is not uniformly funded by individual nation, the major financier nation would continue to dictate what it should or should not do. For any international organization to be truthful and able to assert itself faithfully, its funding should be from a jointly owned organization that would not enable one nation or group of some nations has veto power over its decision, in this respect, a designated fund of International Monetary Fund (IMF). IMF was founded in 1944 along with the World Bank and has its funding from member states contributing to line with its ratio in the world economy. The rate of contribution making nations have voting right in line with their contribution should not extend to an organization funded by the IMF.

### **CONCLUSION**

COVID-19 has shown us that the entire human race has the same type of blood running in their veins because virus affecting whites also affects blacks, and each one needs the other to overcome the pandemic. Citizens of nations have intermarried to such an extent that hardly is there any nation where we would not have a blooded man of each nation by birth. Man must be oriented and made to believe that there is no country in the world where the blood of citizens is not in the citizens of other countries. Procreation and re-procreation have mixed blood of citizens of different nations together for many years. Therefore, the issue of one nation defending its citizens against another nation through war is tantamount to war against self.

The UN resolutions and actions on world peace and security such as conflict prevention, diplomacy, disarmament, genocide, and responsibility for protecting, peacekeeping, peacebuilding and demining would not achieve the level of peaceful coexistence envisaged by the founding fathers of UN until human being realizes that human race is one all over the world. In our opinion, for the peace of the world and the development of the human relationship between nations, the UN should consider the assemblage of scientists, philosophers, engineers, religionists, freethinkers and all facets of diverse specialists in the world to come up with programs to orient the brain, mind, and perception of heads of any country to implement absolute peace as policy.

It is also observed that weapons of mass destruction are on the increase in production and should not be left without control by the UN. It is also observed that funding of organizations of the UN is lopsided, and for any international organization to be truthful and able to assert itself faithfully, its funding should be from a jointly owned organization that would not enable one nation or group of some nations has veto power over its decision. In this respect, a designated fund of the International Monetary Fund (IMF), which must not be related to the current voting capacity of nations, is suggested..

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